GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

RULES – Andhra Pradesh State Election Commission– Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj (Salaries and Allowances, Conditions of Service and tenure of State ElectionCommissioner) Rules 2020 – Notification - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (E&R) DEPARTMENT

GO.Ms.No.617 **Dated:10.04.2020**

Read the following:-

1. GO.Ms.No.540, GA (Genl.C) Department, dated 01-11-1994
2. GO.Ms.No.927, Panchayat Raj, Rural Development & Relief (Elec.III) Dept., dated. 30.12.1994
3. GO.Ms.No.91, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development (Elections)Department, dated 15.3.2000.
4. Andhra Pradesh Ordinance No.5 of 2020 Dated: 10.04.2020.

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ORDER:-

The following Notification shall be published in the Extra-Ordinary issue of Andhra Pradesh Gazette:-

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the Powers conferred by Section 200 of Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 (Act.No.13 of 1994) and in supersession of all previous rules and orders issued on the subject, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following rules namely:-

1. **Short title and Commencement:** These rules may be called the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj (Salaries and Allowances, Conditions of service and tenure of State Election Commissioner) Rules 2020, and these rules shall come into force with immediate effect.
2. **Definitions**: In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:
    1. “Act” means the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994”.
    2. “Government” means the Government of Andhra Pradesh.
    3. “Commission” means the State Election Commission constituted under section 200 of the Act.
    4. “Commissioner” means the State Election Commissioner appointed by the Governor under Section 200 of the Act.
    5. The words and expression used but not defined in these rules shall have to be the same meaning as assigned to them in the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994.
3. **Appointment:** State Election Commissioner shall be appointed by the Governor, on the recommendation of the State Government.
4. **Eligibility:** A person who has held an office of the Judge of a High Court shall be eligible for the appointment as State Election Commissioner.

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5. **Tenure of Office**:

   1. State Election Commissioner shall hold office for a term of three (3) years

      Provided that the incumbent State Election Commissioner shall also be entitled to be considered for re-appointment to another term of three (3) years.

      Provided further that no person shall hold the office of State Election Commissioner for more than six (6) years in the aggregate.

   2. On and with effect from the date of coming into force of the Ordinance mentioned in the reference 4th read above, any person appointed as State Election Commissioner and holding the office as such shall cease to hold office.

6. **Status:** The State Election Commissioner will be a full time Officer and will have the status of a Judge of the High Court.
7. **Emoluments and Pension payable**: The State Election Commissioner shall be entitled to pay and allowances, pension and perks and facilities to which a High Court judge is entitled under the High Court Judges (Conditions of service) Act, 1954 (Central Act 28 of 1954) and the rules made there under, as amended, and any orders issued in pursuance thereto either by the State Government or the Central Government, from time to time.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Printing, Stationery, and Stores Purchase, A.P. Vijayawada (with a request to publish the Notification and furnish copies of Gazette Notification).
The Secretary, State Election Commission, A.P. Vijayawada.
The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj and Rural Development,
A.P., Guntur.
All District Collectors in the State.
All Chief Executive Officers in the State.
All District Panchayat Officers in the State.

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